

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

February 25, 2003

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FROM: PETER R. HILLS, Fire Chief/Fire Warden
San Bernardino County Consolidated Fire District

SUBJECT: FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN COUNTY SERVICE AREA 38 (SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY CONSOLIDATED FIRE DISTRICT), COUNTY SERVICE AREA 38 IMPROVEMENT ZONE M (YUCAIPA UNINCORPORATED), COUNTY SERVICE AREA 63 (OAK GLEN), AND THE CITY OF YUCAIPA

RECOMMENDATION: Acting as the governing body of County Service Area 38 (CSA 38), County Service Area 38 Improvement Zone M (CSA 38 Zone M), and County Service Area 63 (CSA 63), approve Fire Protection Services Agreement No. 03-_____ between CSA 38, CSA 38 Zone M, CSA 63, and the City of Yucaipa, effective February 25, 2003, in the amount of \$39,634 per fiscal year, which shall remain in effect until terminated by either party.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Oak Glen is an unincorporated community adjacent to the City of Yucaipa that receives fire protection/paramedic services from the County Fire Department. The County provides this service through a multi-jurisdictional contractual arrangement involving CSA 38, CSA 38-M (paramedic), CSA 63 (park), and the City.

The current agreement calls for the City to provide fire protection and paramedic service to the Oak Glen area, with service boundaries as delineated in the agreement. In consideration of these services, CSA 38 and CSA 38-M, both of which overlay the Oak Glen boundaries, collectively reimburse the City \$27,820 annually. The agreement also provides that the City lease fire apparatus from CSA 38 for \$1/year, with the City providing maintenance and repairs on the apparatus up to \$250/repair. Additionally, the City leases a facility owned by CSA 63 (park district) for use as a fire station for \$1/year.

The Districts and City have recently negotiated an update to the agreement for the period beginning February 25, 2003. The same basic arrangement will be in place under the new agreement; however, the following changes have been included and are recommended:

*Annual compensation to the City is increased from \$27,820 to \$39,634.

*City's responsibility for repair of fire apparatus is increased from \$250/year to \$500 per repair, or \$2,500 in the aggregate.

*City will now provide, maintain, and replace all personal protection equipment, excluding self-contained breathing apparatus, which will be provided by CSA 38.

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The agreement reflects an \$11,814 annual increase and is based upon increased operating costs by the City of Yucaipa. The last contract increase took effect in 1999.

The agreement shall remain in effect until terminated by mutual written agreement or by either giving the other party 180 days written notice of the party's intent to terminate.

Approval of this recommendation will continue the cooperation between the City and CSA 38 to provide fire, emergency, and paramedic services to the community of Oak Glen.

REVIEW BY OTHERS: This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (L. Thomas Krahelski) on January 27, 2003, and the County Administrative Office (Wayne Thies, Administrative Analyst) on February 14, 2003.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: Under the terms of this Agreement, the City of Yucaipa is paid an annual amount of \$39,634 by CSA 38 and CSA 38 Zone M, collectively. The annual cost of this Agreement is funded within the CSA 38 District budget (SGP 290 339) in the amount of \$19,634 and funded within the CSA 38 Zone M District budget (SHP 290 290) in the amount of \$20,000. In accordance with this Agreement, the total cost for fiscal year 2002/03 is \$19,817, which represents 50% of the contract amount to be paid as one of two annual installment payments.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT(S): Third.

PRESENTER: Peter R. Hills, 387-5974.

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